

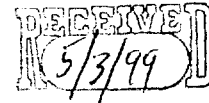


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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statement on Advanced C-Jointin™/ Joint Support Complex and supplements containing chondroitin sulfate, glucosamine, and methylsulfonylmethane (MSM) under the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition, Vitamin World:

- Chondroitin sulfate, glucosamine and methylsulfonylmethane (MSM) help support the production of glycosaminoglycans, the key structural components in cartilage.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

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